

Block, October 17&18

HW:1) Ch. 4-4 & 4-5 on Unit Test

Ann.:1) Socialization Unit Test & Notebook Check M 10/22

Today--1) Discuss Questions #1-3  
Continue Truman Show

2) Religions Assignment--Due at end of period

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THE TRUMAN SHOW

1. Give an example from the movie of each sociological concept below:

A. LOOKING-GLASS SELF:

B. SOCIALIZATION:

C. DEVIATION:

D. NEGATIVE SANCTIONS:

E. HIDDEN CURRICULUM:

F. REFERENCE GROUP:

2. Although Truman lived in a controlled environment, some elements and events were beyond the command of authority. Name some events which the director Christof was unable to control.

3. How was Truman kept in the artificial environment? How was he socialized to stay on the "island"?

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4. What were some elements of Truman's environment which were artificial and YOU would have recognized as false.

5. The director believed that Truman would never guess the artificiality of his world and life, that Truman believed in the reality of the only world he had ever known. Do you think this is a true statement?

6. List and briefly describe three of the characters in the Truman television show. How do these characters attempt to control Truman's life?

7. Rate this movie. Do you think this movie was appropriate for a Sociology class?

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What are desocialization and resocialization?

- Symbolic interactionism describes four processes associated with socialization after childhood: desocialization, resocialization, anticipatory socialization, and reference groups.
- Desocialization is the process by which the self-concept is broken down as people give up old norms, values, attitudes, and behaviors.
- This is followed by resocialization, the process in which people adopt new norms, values, attitudes, and behaviors.
- These processes are most severe in total institutions, places where people are separated from the rest of society and controlled by officials in charge.
- Desocialization and resocialization occur as a child becomes an adolescent, when young adults begin careers, and as the elderly move into retirement or widowhood.

How does anticipatory socialization lead to voluntary change?

- Anticipatory socialization is the process of preparing (in advance) for new norms, values, attitudes, and behaviors.
- It involves voluntary change from one reference group to another.
- The norms and values of the reference group are used to guide the behavior of people who identify with that group.

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